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SUBJ: RECENT PRC CIVIL AVIATION DEVELOPMENTS

1. IRAN AIR ANNOUNCED IT WILL INAUGURATE A NEW AIR SERVICE FROM TEHRAN TO TOKYO VIA PEKING ON NOVEMBER 19. A COMPANY SPOKESMAN SAID THE SERVICE WILL INVOLVE TWO FLIGHTS A WEEK, DEPARTING TEHRAN ON TUESDAY AND SATURDAY. FLYING TIME, INCLUDING A ONE HOUR STOPOVER IN PEKING, WILL TOTAL ALMOST THIRTEEN HOURS (AFP TEHRAN, OCTOBER 8).

2. THE PRC AND IRAN SIGNED A BILATERAL AIR AGREEMENT IN NOVEMBER 1972 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE BASIS FOR AIR SERVICE BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. THE AGREEMENT GRANTS IRAN AIR UNLIMITED PASSENGER RIGHTS TO PEKING AND ONWARD TO TOKYO WITH LANDING RIGHTS AT SEVERAL INTERMEDIATE STOPS INCLUDING
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SHANGHAI (1972 TEHRAN 2625).

3. IR IRAN AIR BEGINS SERVICE ON SCHEDULE, IT WILL JOIN A GROWING LIST OF NON-COMMUNIST AIRLINES (PAKISTAN, FRANCE, ETHIOPIA AND JAPAN) FLYING TO THE PRC. CANADIAN PACIFIC, HOWEVER, HAS HAD TO POSTPONE ITS SCHEDULED OCTOBER OPENING OF AIR SERVICE TO PEKING BECAUSE OF DIFFERENCES OVER AIR FARES AND TRAFFIC RIGHTS (PEKING 1702).

4. ON THE INTERNATIONAL AVIATION FRONT, THE PRC CONTINUED ITS DRIVE FOR PROMINENCE IN WORLD ORGANIZATIONS, BY SUCCESSFULLY STANDING FOR ELECTION TO THE THIRTY-MEMBER GOVERNING COUNCIL OF ICAO ON SEPTEMBER 28, WHERE IT CAN BE EXPECTED TO CHAMPION ITS OWN EXPANDING CIVIL AIR INTERESTS AS WELL AS POSING AS A CHAMPION OF THE THIRD WORLD (SEE ER20, HK 11044). ICAO DROPPED TAIWAN IN FAVOR OF PEKING IN NOVEMBER 1971.
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